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## FOURTH OF JULY.

It will be pleasing news to all the patriotic people of Bloomfield to hear that the Board of Trade is going to take the lead in a movement for a public celebration of Fourth of July. There is a prevailing impression that the Fourth of July above all other holidays calls for a united demonstration of some kind. The Board of Trade will take the lead and no doubt will be instrumental in enlisting other organizations in the town in the proposed public demonstration.

Three essentials of a properly conducted Fourth of July celebration are drum and fife music, an oration and fireworks. A parade is not inappropriate and if the Board of Trade gives assurances that the music will be forth-coming, some enthusiastic citizens may arrange a parade. The prospects are that Bloomfield is going to have a "glorious" Fourth.

The Board of Trade has thus far been successful in all of its undertakings and it will no doubt meet with enthusiastic and generous support in carrying out its project with regard to a public celebration of the Fourth.

## Montclair's Appropriations.

The Montclair Town Council Monday night appropriated \$265,594.50 for the running expenses of the town during the ensuing year. Of this amount there is an unexpended balance in the treasury from last year of \$17,907.55, so that the actual amount to be raised this year will be \$267,684.92, which is \$20,064.38 in excess of the amount appropriated by the Council last year. The increased expenditure will be covered by improvements made during the last year, and it is probable that the tax rate for 1905 will remain the same.

The individual allotments are as follows: Lighting, \$19,500; police, \$22,000; fire, \$21,000; street repairs, \$33,000; poor, \$6,000; water, \$13,000; interest on town debt, \$23,777.50; sinking fund, \$15,211.44; incidentals, \$40,000; schools, \$92,006.56; public library, one-half mill on each dollar of assessable land. Five thousand dollars of the school appropriation will be used for the manual training department.

## The Census Taken.

The State census is under way, and woe betide the person who fails to answer the more or less numerous and complex questions propounded by the enumerators. Some of them may seem irrelevant and impertinent, but don't you care. Answer them just the same, and console yourself with the reflection that while you can be fined only \$100 for contumacy in that particular, the enumerator is liable to a fine five times as heavy if he divulges any of the information he receives. Prompt and careful compliance with the requirements will greatly aid in the prosecution and accuracy of the work, and all from whom information is sought are urged to treat the enumerators with consideration.

## Appropriations.

The Town Council on Monday night made appropriations as follows: Schools, \$41,000; street lighting, \$10,000; sewers, \$6,000; poor, \$3,000; contingencies, \$12,000; police, \$5,500; fire, \$4,500; bonds and interest, \$25,000; total, \$107,000, which is the same amount as the total of last year. The appropriation for water is eliminated this year, but the reduction is offset by increases along other lines.

## Useful Work.

The Mrs. Dwight L. Bach collection of minerals presented to the Fairview School some time since has not been exhibited for lack of cases to put the collection in. The manual training class in the High School has made an exhibit table for the collection, and it will be presented to the Fairview School for that purpose.

## Additional Teachers.

The Bloomfield Board of Education Monday night appointed additional teachers as follows: Nellie Foster, manual training; day schools, Ethel M. Wilson, Frank L. Losse, Herschel Pettit and George E. Webster; evening schools, Principal Thomas Agnew, E. Clifford Way, Anna J. Merrellith, Charles Boyd, Margaret L. Libby and Leon E. Banks.

## Mr. Colby Creates a Stir.

The political campaign in Essex county this fall promises to be a lively one. Public interest is going to centre in the effort to be made by Assemblyman Everett Colby of West Orange for the Republican nomination for State Senator. Mr. Colby has announced his position as follows:

"I have decided to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator at the party primary in September. I shall appeal to the Republican voters for support on the ground that, if I am nominated and subsequently elected, I will labor for the enactment of laws as follows:

"1. A State law and an amendment to the Constitution of the State prohibiting municipalities from granting franchises to public utility corporations for a longer period of time than twenty-five years in cities of the first and second class. I favor, however, a provision permitting the granting of franchises for a period not longer than thirty-five years in localities other than cities of the first and second class, if so decided by a vote of the people in the locality affected.

"2. A law providing for the annual assessment of the value of the franchises of the public utility companies in the streets, and the taxation of the same at the local rates.

"3. A law taxing all railroad real estate, including the main stem, at local rates, and until that is done I am opposed to the fixing of a maximum tax rate, and favor the suspension of the Hilliard Tax Act.

"4. Until the Constitution of the United States provides for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, I favor a law affording the members of each party the opportunity at the general election of expressing their choice for the party candidates for United States Senator.

"My reasons for making this contest are as follows:

"As the result of my three years' experience in Trenton, I have become convinced that the organization of each party in the county, and in many towns and cities, is controlled by men who, for their own advantage, are managing the party organization for the benefit and in the interests of corporations. Men holding public office are not told in so many words by party leaders that they must serve the corporate interests upon pain of forfeiture of the political future, but any man who sincerely attempts to curb an unjust corporate privilege finds his public career cut short, and the certainty of this result is sufficient to discourage political independence on the part of those holding public positions. What makes this condition less obvious to the general public is the fact that nearly all corporations do not desire affirmative legislation. All they desire is to be let alone in the enjoyment of their present privileges, whether such privileges are fair or unfair. This condition has reached the stage in New Jersey where the man in either political party who undertakes sincerely to advocate any measure opposed to the interests of the corporations can continue in public life. It is inconceivable that the voters of the Republican party should desire the continuance of the present dominant influences. For my own part, I cannot remain passive under them, and so appeal to the Republicans of the county for their support in an effort to secure for the people legislation denied by corporate dictation.

"The only remedy hitherto tried has been the defeat from time to time of the party in power by the voters who ordinarily support such party, temporarily transferring their support to the other party, in the hope that the punishment meted out to the party leaders by defeat will lead to a change for the better.

"Experience shows, however, that this plan simply throws the public from one set of party managers who are working for corporations into the hands of another set in the other party who are working for identically the same thing. I have reached the conclusion that the only permanent relief is for the voters in each party to take the situation into their own hands and secure at the primaries the nomination of men pledged to definite policies and principles.

"The new primary law enacted two years ago lends itself admirably to this plan. Under it, if the voters will go to the primaries and support men who are pledged to the enactment of laws in the interest of the public, they can gradually establish a political condition which will result in the control of both parties by men who will not be subservient to corporate influences.

"It is my hope that candidates for the Assembly favorable to the principles which I advocate will be announced by those in sympathy with this movement. If this shall be the case, I shall gladly welcome their sympathy and aid. But whether supported by other candidates or not, I shall continue to contest until the voters of the party shall have blessed at the primaries their approved or disapproved of my candidature."

Everett Colby's friendly attitude towards Bloomfield is the Legislature last winter made him many friends here, and the action of the Board of Trade in endorsing his position on the subject of municipal franchises must win general satisfaction. Members of the Board of Trade were desirous that Mr. Colby should be an invited guest and a speaker at the recent annual banquet of the board, but the plan did not carry, greatly to the disappointment of Mr. Colby's supporters here.

## Concerning Licenses.

To THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:  
SIR: Citizens in this town who in the past have been responsible for the administration of public affairs may have made errors in judgment and in action. That is common to all governing bodies, and is sometimes due to varied and conflicting interest; that must be given consideration in shaping public policies. Whether they did so or not is a matter of opinion. Personally, the writer knows that at the present time no member of the governing body devotes any more time to the consideration of public affairs than did the men of the past. The writer takes no stock in the nonsensical talk about a "new era," and he feels confident that in due course of time the people will arise to a more just appreciation of the public services of some of those who are now being freely criticised by some of the frisky folks who have recently been harnessed to the public cart. But laying all differences of opinion aside as to a variety of public matters, there is one question in which the people of the town are generally agreed, and that is that under the old era a wise and satisfactory policy was found in regard to excise matters by the men of the old era, and if the men of the new era are as wise as their friends (and perhaps they themselves) think they are, they will do well to let well enough alone. If the men of the new era can win back Glen Ridge, if they can make a success of municipal ownership of public utilities, if they can obliterate annexation sentiment, and do other wonderful political stunts, all well and good; the people, no doubt, will be nearly unanimous in generous and prolonged applause; but it is hoped that the men of the new era will not radically interfere with excise matters, but will be content to abide by the policy of the past. There is no room, from a business point of view, for any more saloons in Bloomfield at present. The men of the old era laid the foundation of an excellent reputation for the town in their method of controlling the saloon business. If the men of the new era yield to the pressure for more saloons, and for a business period of longer hours, they will make a serious mistake, and alienate hundreds of friends. The specious advocacy of more saloons on the ground of increasing public revenue should not be heeded. That is simply the politician's view of the matter, and is devoid of moral sentiment. Let the new era, if it is possible, achieve a glorious reputation for itself by standing pat by the best of the past, and the writer will join in the hope of its friends that it will live long and prosper. W. N. K.

Woman's Club Reception.

Fifty 200 women attended the last reception of the season of the Woman's Club of Glen Ridge on Tuesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Henry C. Cordley, 79 Ridgewood avenue, Glen Ridge. It had been the intention of the hostess to have the entertainment part of the meeting upon the spacious lawns, but the rain prevented that plan being carried out. The business portion of the meeting was opened by Mrs. Marcus Belloni, vice-president, who has acted as president during the illness of Mrs. Charles S. Dodd. Mrs. Dodd brought greetings. It was her first appearance at any local function since her long illness, and the entire club gave her the Chautauqua salute.

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Don't expect coal to be clean enough to dump on the parlor carpet without leaving its trade-mark.

Don't think the coal man makes a dollar profit on every ton of coal; he makes two.

Don't try to organize a coal club among your neighbors expecting to buy coal a dollar cheaper. Clubs are charged extra.

Don't ask him to chute coal around more than six corners.

Don't expect his chute to be longer than 500 feet.

Don't ask him to "fetch around" half of a lumber yard to bridge that gutter.

Don't order stove coal when you want nut and don't order nut when you want stove. When the driver comes back with the coal because you did not order the right size, they say the coal man swears.

Don't order your coal after the price has gone up and expect to get it at the lower figure.

Don't tell him that last coal was "all dirt." There must have been a few pieces of good coal in it.

Don't expect a ton of coal to last forever.

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Don't Forget that We Sell Laces and Trim-mings Cheaper than You Can Buy Them Elsewhere.

Patents Issued.

Patents issued to Jerseymen and reported for the CITIZEN by Drak & Co., Solicitors of Patents, corner Broad and Market streets, Newark, N. J.:

Atomizer for internal combustion engines, W. L. Breath, Jersey City; add iron, J. Cook, Paterson; preparing oil for combustion, G. W. Brass and T. A. Tyran Hoboken; set screw, M. Fisher, East Orange; holder for lime preservers, W. J. French, Elizabeth; glass beveling machine, J. J. Giblin, Hoboken, and G. W. Freeman, Elizabeth; attachment for spring shade rollers, E. F. Hartshorn, Newark; holder for bottles, G. A. Hancock, East Orange; electric self-winding clock, A. Von Kaspis, Weehawken; automatic plating apparatus for jewelry, G. A. Kneller, Bayonne; gas burner, G. Macleod, Jr., Elizabeth; mechanism for adding materials, W. H. Pike, Jr., Orange; printing upon porous materials, E. H. Rossin, Newark; hydrocarbon furnace, T. A. Tyran, Hoboken; reduction furnace, G. Walson, Newark.

Removal of Gas Buildings.

The buildings on the Montclair Gas and Water Company's property along the Morris Canal at the foot of West

Market Street were removed.

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